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Local Matters.

Lieutenant James P. Cozzens

Former Alderman John J. Peckham has received the following letter from Lieutenant James P. Cozzens, now serving on a cruiser of the United States Navy:

August 23, 1917.

Dear Mr. Peckham:— I thought I would send you a few lines and let you know that I am well and enjoying my life. If the censor would let me I could send you a very interesting letter but I will do the best I can and if you find part of it erased don't blame me, but 'tis the fortune of war.

I have been on the — two months and like her very much as we have a fine set of officers and a good crew. I am the Junior officer of the Second Division which means the four inch battery and I have command of two of the guns.

The — is a fine fast cruiser and we convey vessels to all parts of the world which gives a fine chance to see things as the officers go ashore when we are in port.

On our last run we were out of sight of land about ten days, nearly all of which time we were running at top speed under forced draft and as we have eight big boilers the cinders that were flying resembled a fog.

We were in port about two days and we are now at sea on another long haul and I do not expect to see land for another ten days, so do not know how soon you will receive this letter for if we sight a ship bound for the States we send our mail back by her, and I may get a chance to mail this letter tomorrow and it may be a week.

Last week I was in one of our Allies ports and I landed and such a sight as I saw I will never forget. I had to have a pass from the Captain before they would let me land and when we did we saw the melting pot with all kinds and conditions of people and all speaking a different language. They have, however, all a little English and on every hand we were greeted with "Hello Yankee" and "Hello Sailor" and they all seemed glad to see us or our money. I don't know which. I priced a few articles and found everything very expensive owing to the war.

I have often wondered how our city politics were getting along for I have not seen an American newspaper of any kind since the third of August and don't expect to touch a port in the States before the last of September, so I know that you are a busy man but if you have a few minutes I would like to have a few lines from you as to how things are going.

If any of my friends ask for me, tell them I am well and ask to be remembered.

JAMES P. COZZENS.

Send-off for Drafted Men

Newport's first contingent for the National Army left for the training camp at Ayer, Mass., on Wednesday, and the twelve men making up this first detail were given a send-off that will long be remembered. They were escorted to the train by an imposing line of regular forces from the Army and Navy, veterans of the Wars of 61 and 98, Newport Artillery and citizens. Although the parade started at the early hour of 8.00 a.m., the streets were lined with people as they have seldom been to see any form of parade, and the space about the railroad station was packed to the utmost limit. Early breakfasts were the order of the day.

The twelve men who were selected by the local board to comprise the detail, because of their peculiar fitness for the work were, Chester Powell Arnold, Charles Sherman Watts, Edward Wing Lawton, Thomas Record Aldred, Charles Victor Platt, Edward McLyman, Edmund Lawrence Boone, William Cotton Schoenitzler, Edwin H. Barker, Herbert Staats, Cassius U. Mullock and John B. Miloney. The last man was added at the last moment to take the place of Alfred Augustus Clark, who had received an appointment as a lieutenant. These first men will be entrusted with the duty of preparing the camp for the vast numbers soon to follow, and will have opportunity to secure ratings above that of private, with a possibility of obtaining commissions if they develop proper qualifications. All the men considered it a great honor to be selected.

Colonel Frank P. King was chief marshal of the parade, having Captain William E. Bralley as adjutant. The line was headed by a platoon of police, followed by the Chief Marshal, Mayor, Board of Aldermen and army and navy committee of the representative council. Then came two companies of Coast Artillery from Fort Adams, accompanied by the famous Seventh Artillery Band. They were followed by a regiment of apprentice seamen from the Training Station, with their band, and following them came a battalion of four companies of Naval Reservists with the Reservist Band. The Newport Artillery formed the special guard of honor under their new commanding officer, Colonel A. A. Barker, who received much applause as he made his first appearance at the head of his command. Two Boy Scouts carrying a banner inscribed "The boys of '61" preceded carriages bearing members of Lawton-Warren Post, G. A. R. A similar banner inscribed "The Boys of 1898" preceded a delegation from Charles M. Thomas Camp of Spanish War Veterans, who followed. "The Boys of 1917" was the inscription on the banner preceding the twelve men in whose honor the parade was given, and all along the route they were given tumultuous applause and friends frequently broke into the line to give them a final handshake. A number of Newport men who have received commissions in the Officers Reserve Corps formed a platoon at the rear of the line, but by some oversight they were neglected and dropped out of line.

At the City Hall the line was reviewed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and then the line moved down Marlboro street to the railroad station. The No. 1 Fire Station had been cleared of apparatus and turned over to the departing men, where their relatives could bid them farewell safe from curious eyes. Then they boarded the train that should carry them to the Camp, and as the train steamed out of the station, a rousing send-off was given.

On the evening previous to their departure, Mayor Burdick tendered a dinner at the New Cliffs Hotel to the twelve men, the Board of Aldermen, the army and navy committee, and a few guests.

The next contingent for the National Army will leave Newport on September 18, going to Providence to participate in the demonstration to be held on that day in honor of the Rhode Island contingent. Plans are being developed to give them a send-off fully equal to that given the first twelve, and a big demonstration is assured in this city, in addition to that to be given in Providence. The plans as far as developed, call for a mass meeting in their honor at the Colonial Theatre on Sunday evening, and a dinner on Monday evening, preceded by a street parade of imposing proportions. The dinner will probably be open to the public as far as they care to purchase tickets, and should be a large affair. The plans are being developed by Mayor Burdick and Chairman William Williams of the army and navy committee of the representative council.

Governor R. Livingston Beekman was the reviewing officer at the weekly drill of the apprentice seamen at the Training Station on Wednesday, and the pathing of spectators was about the largest in the history of the Station.



The Banner of the Sea

Of all the flags that float aloft, o'er Neptune's gallant tars,  
That wave on high in victory, above the sons of Mars,  
Give us the flag, Columbia's flag, the emblem of the free,  
Whose flashing stars blazed through our wars, for TRUTH and LIBERTY!

CHORUS

Then dip it, lads, in ocean's brine, and give it three times three,  
And fling it out, 'mid song and shout, the Banner of the Sea!  
Then dip it, lads, in ocean's brine, and give it three times three,  
And fling it out, 'mid song and shout, the Banner of the Sea!

Beneath its folds we fear no foe, our hearts shall never quail,  
With bosoms bare, the storm we'll dare, and brave the battle gale;  
And though the cannon plough our decks, the planks with gore run red,  
Still through the fray, our flag away, shall gleam far overhead.

On every wave, to every shore, Columbia's flag shall go,  
And through all time, its fame sublime, with brighter hues shall glow:  
For Freedom's standard is our flag, its guardians, Freedom's sons,  
And we betide the insulter's pride, when we unloose our guns.

Its enemies our own shall be, upon the land or main,  
Its starry light shall gild the fight, and guide our iron rain.  
Nor foreign power, nor treason's art shall shake our patriot love,  
While with our life, in peace or strife, we'll keep that flag above.

Newport Improvement Association

The annual meeting of the Newport Improvement Association was held on Monday, when there was quite a general discussion of various matters under consideration, and considerable difference of opinion developed over the so-called Burgess charter which was introduced in the Legislature at its closing days two years ago. Several members took occasion to criticize the Legislature for its failure to give a hearing on the subject, and Representative Max Levy replied in a spirited manner. It was generally admitted that the charter was dead.

Dr. Horace P. Beck spoke upon the recent epidemic of diphtheria, and told of regulations that are needed to prevent a like occurrence in the future. Announcement was made that arrangements had been made with the Chief of Police to have the Cliff Walk patrolled at certain hours, in accordance with a recommendation adopted at the last meeting of the Association.

Several officers declined a re-election, among them being ex-Mayor Frederick P. Garretson who had been Chairman of the executive committee for a long time, and Max Levy who had been secretary for a number of years.

The new officers are as follows: President—Lawrence L. Gillispie. Vice Presidents—John Thompson Spencer, Dr. Henry Barton Jacobs, Frank K. Sturges, Dr. Roderick Terry. Secretary—Vacancy. Treasurer—Peter King. Executive Committee—Dr. Horace P. Beck, chairman; Colonel Joseph H. Willard, Mrs. French Vanderbilt, General William Ennis, John Dufais, Leander K. Carr, Miss Ellen F. Masco, Frederick P. Garretson, J. K. Sullivan, Dr. Richard V. Mattison.

RECENT DEATHS.

General Morrell

General Edward deV. Morrell, who died in Colorado Springs last Saturday, was born in this city, and was well known here. He was a son of the late Edward Morrell and a nephew of the late John Hare Powell. He owned two cottages on Ochre Point, but had seldom occupied either of them which were generally rented for the summer season. He had long been active in the National Guard of Pennsylvania, and served throughout the war with Spain, attaining the rank of Brigadier General. He was active in a number of philanthropic enterprises.

Newport County Fair.

One of the interesting features of the Newport County Fair, which will be held on the Fair grounds in Portsmouth on September 18, 19, 20 and 21, will be the Horse Show, for which an unusually large prize list has been offered, totaling \$1500. The exhibits promise to be larger and better than ever, and the interest should exceed that of any previous years. The Seventh Artillery Band will be in attendance each day and there will be free dancing afternoon and evening.

The Newport County Fair will not be affected by lack of transportation which is disheartening the management of some other fairs. All the attendance at this fair comes either by trolley or by auto, so that there will be no lack of means of transportation because of the movement of troops at that time.

The annual fall exhibition of fruits and flowers by the Newport Horticultural Society has been held in the Convention Hall at the Beach this week, and has attracted considerable interest. The exhibit was very fine.

Progress is still being made on the new Postoffice building although the work does not show up as spectacularly as it did a few weeks ago, being now mostly inside the walls.

Board of Aldermen.

At the monthly meeting of the board of aldermen on Tuesday evening, the city clerk was directed to advertise for proposals for collection of garbage, two propositions to be submitted. One is for weekly collections in all parts of the city, as at present, and the other for semi-weekly collections in the business section of Thames street and Broadway, the latter being at the request of the Chief of the Fire Department who thought that safer conditions would be established by the more frequent removal of the rubbish.

Sitting as a board of canvassers, the board directed that the preliminary voting lists as prepared by City Clerk Fullerton be printed and posted according to law. The usual places were adopted as the voting places in the various wards.

Bills were approved and ordered paid from the several appropriations as follows:

City Asylum	1857 08
Fire department	1305 68
Highway department	100 00
Non-proportioned	100 00
Public sanitation	100 00
Street repairs	100 00
Public recreation, miscellaneous	20 40
Police and wharves	31 31
Door department	100 00
Public parks	400 00
Public schools	6,182 47
Council and aldermen	36 70
City clerk	17 00
City hall	13 00
Street light	2,254 14
Amusement, public safety	22 25
Police	1,375 00
Water supply	1,000 00
Inspector of buildings	20 00
City assessors	3 45
Inspector of plumbing	2 00
Dog fund	80 18
City engineer	4 45
Advertising	6 25
Indexing records	29 40
Public celebrations	4 00
Statistical department	1 10
A. W. Goddard, burial lot	1 40
City auditor	3 10
City engineer's day wages project	10 00
Tourist symposium fund	4 00
City treasurer	4 00
Police department	314 77
Board of Health	750 77
	\$2,494 41

At the meeting of the board of aldermen on Thursday evening, communications were received from Chief of Police James R. Crowley and Chief of the Fire Department Andrew J. Kirwin, protesting against allegations of neglect of duty in connection with the removal of dangerous fire menaces. Chief Kirwin asked for an investigation, but the board merely received the communications, there being objection even to receiving them. Other business transacted was of a routine nature.

Army Candidates Examined

The local exemption board continues to be a busy place. The board has been working this week on the new men called for examination to complete Newport's quota in the National Army, and rapid progress was made by the four physicians conducting the medical examination. During the rush of the examination of the former batches of candidates some weeks ago, the Doctors were handicapped by the diphtheria epidemic which made great demands upon their time, but this week they have had more time to devote to the candidates.

As usual, a large number of claims for exemption have been filed by the new men, some of them accompanied by affidavits. Among the number were several aliens, a number of employees of the Torpedo Station, and about the usual proportion of married men. Some of these cases can be passed upon by the local board, but others will have to go to the district board for final decision.

The members of the local board and their clerical staff have now gotten the work well systematized, and being relieved of the frequent hurries from Washington are able to get ahead much faster with their work.

Miss Cora C. Hathaway has entered the Training School for Nurses connected with the Boston City Hospital.

Recruiting the Artillery.

There was a good attendance at the smoker given at the Armory of the Newport Artillery on Thursday evening under the auspices of the recruiting committee of that organization. Col. A. A. Barker presided and presented Adjutant-General Charles W. Abbot, Jr., who explained the necessity for recruiting the independent chartered commands up to their full strength. All the National Guard of the State has been taken into the federal service so that there is no military organization at the disposal of the Governor to quell riots or other internal disturbances. In some states Home Guards have been organized, but Governor Beekman prefers to depend upon the independent companies, which have made such a fine record in the past. Men below or above the draft age or those who have been rejected for minor physical defects, are particularly desirable for the less arduous duties that will devolve upon the Company.

Mayor Clark Burdick also spoke, urging the young men of Newport to enroll in this splendid organization, so that those who are unable to go to France may still do something for their country. At the conclusion of the address a number of men signed application papers and others promised to do so later.

Block Island Red Cross.

Although Block Island seems somewhat removed from the center of activities of Red Cross work, the residents of that mid ocean island are by no means insensible to the demands of the times. About two months ago, a Block Island Auxiliary Branch of the American Red Cross, affiliated with Newport Chapter, was organized and now has a membership of about 100. At this season of the year it is difficult for many Block Islanders to devote their attention to anything outside of the business demands upon them, but nevertheless a prompt response was made to a request for help in making up garments last week. A special consignment of 91 convalescent blanket waistcoats was sent over from Newport Chapter to be made up, and some twenty members of the Block Island Branch went to work with a will, completing their task and returning the finished work within five days. The Block Island ladies are very evidently alert and ready to help.

Last Monday was an ideal day for Labor Day, the weather being clear and not uncomfortably hot. The crowd at the Beach was probably the largest ever assembled there, the sands and boardwalk being black with people throughout the day. Hundreds of automobiles were parked on the roadway back of the Beach, and the trolley cars had much more business offered than could be handled. The children gathered by the thousand to dig for the numbered blocks representing presents from the Beach Association, there being 1099 free gifts for the children.

There was a large attendance at the ball for the benefit of the Firemen's Pension Fund in the Convention Hall at the Beach on Tuesday evening, and a considerable sum was added to the fund in consequence. Chief Kirwin acted as floor manager and led the grand march with his daughter, Miss Anita Kirwin.

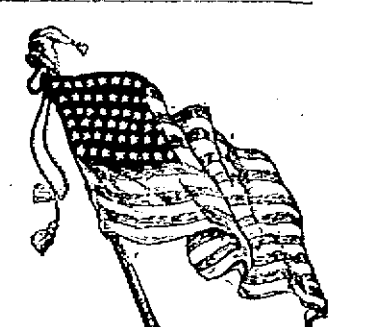
Ex-Governor Augustus O. Bourn and son of Bristol paid us a visit on Wednesday. The ex-governor is hale and hearty at the good age of 82. As President of the Bourn Rubber Co. of Providence, he is attending to business nearly every day. Governor Bourn is the oldest of all the State's ex-governors, having served from 1883 to 1885.

The Farm Bureau.

Considerable wheat seed is being ordered, through the County Farm Bureau, of the state commission on Agriculture Inquiry. The seed is to be furnished at cost and the belief of the authorities on wheat claim that it will make a paying crop here; grown for local consumption and poultry feeding. It grows on land that will raise red-top or Timothy and yields of from 30-50 bushels have been reported in R. I. It should be sown a week or ten days before the fall and preferably on borrowed land where potatoes or some such crop has been raised. It's fertilizer is from three to four hundred lbs. to an acre. It is harvested the last of July or first of August and so fits in well with the other farm work and with the rotation. The seed is to be furnished at cost to the farmers of the state. The order must be in by Sept. 12th.

The Farm Bureau is to have a booth at the Newport County Fair where the work of the bureau will be explained and an outline of the work will be shown.

The public schools of the city will re-open next Monday after the summer vacation.



MIDDLETOWN.

(From our Regular Correspondent)  
Right Rev. Philip M. Rhineland, D. D., LL. D., D. C. L., Bishop of Pennsylvania, was the preacher on Sunday morning last at the Berkeley Memorial Chapel. On next Sabbath the new rector, who is also to be the chaplain at St. George's School, Rev. Israel Harding Hughes of North Carolina, will assume permanent charge. The Chapel has been supplied by different clergymen since the resignation last January of Rev. John B. Dittus.

Rev. Mr. Hughes officiated at the Chapel in the Spring, so he does not come wholly as a stranger. A graduate of the Cambridge Theological School he has since been the chaplain at St. Mark's School, Southborough, Mass. He has also had experience in missionary work and in work among military camps. He is unmarried.

The Sunday Schools of the Episcopal churches, which have been at recess during the summer, will resume their regular sessions on next Sabbath.

The Misses Helena and Louisa Stortevant entertained their pupils and a few friends at an afternoon tea on Labor Day at their studio on Purgatory Hill.

Rev. F. J. K. Alexander of Hartford, Conn., is making a number of improvements at the Huntington group of cottages on Indian avenue along the East shore. A garage is being added and on the brow of the bank a large artistic cottage for the use of bathers is being erected. Prof. John T. Huntington, who owns this property and who annually spends the summer here with his daughter, Mrs. Alexander, takes keen interest in the work and enjoys life in general, notwithstanding his 87 years. He was largely instrumental in the building of the Berkeley Memorial Chapel and in former years often officiated there.

The public schools will re-open Monday including, it is expected, the new three-room building, "The Berkeley," on Green End Avenue. Miss Annie Collins Sherman of Portsmouth, who has been teaching for quite a period of years at Tiverton, has been secured by Superintendent Joel Peckham for the primary grades at the Oliphant School as the teacher there. Miss Vivian A. Levin of Fall River had recently asked for a year's leave of absence, owing to the ill health of her mother.

The lecturer's hour at the regular meeting of Aquidneck Grange on Thursday next at the Town Hall will be devoted to the subject, "What the State and Nation are doing for Agricultural Education." There is a possibility of having a special speaker. Miss Charlotte Katharine Taber will be the evening's soloist.

Miss Lydia Peabody, who up to the time of her mother's recent death had been making her home with the family of her brother-in-law, William J. Peckham on Mitchell's Road, left last week for Providence to reside with her brother, Lionel H. Peabody and family. Miss Peabody and her mother, Mrs. Lionel H. Peabody, who formerly resided on Honeyman Hill, broke up their home owing to the sudden death of Mrs. Wm. J. Peckham in January, 1915, coming to live with Mr. Peckham at that time.

The several Portuguese cottages in the vicinity of the "Paradise Rocks" property have been removed. Some were taken down, and one was moved in sections to Turner's Road. It is evidently the intention of the present owner, Jordan L. Mott of New York, to improve Paradise Court, which leads to the handsome estate formerly known as "Gray Craig," which he purchased in July, 1916, of Mrs. Clarke-Goodman. Extensive changes are being made about the former entrance and the big stone house is undergoing many alterations, mainly in the interior. Mr. and Mrs. Mott had hoped to occupy the property this summer, but the sudden death of their architect in the spring retarded the extensive improvements which he had planned.

Wednesday was an especially fine day for the two social events scheduled. The parish picnic of the M. E. church was held at Bethshan-in-the-Woods with a series of sports in charge of Mr. Fred P. Webber, Rev. George W. Manning and Mr. Harold Peckham. The refreshments were in charge of the teachers. There was a good attendance and a fine time was enjoyed.

The annual fair for the benefit of the Berkeley Memorial Chapel was held afternoon and evening at the Berkeley Parish House with a large attendance. Afternoon tea was served by Mrs. Eugene Sturtevant and her daughters. A number of attractive tables held large and varied supplies of things useful and ornamental, and a tent on the front lawn offered for sale flowers and choice vegetables in artistic baskets. There were also candy and cake tables, but no ice cream was sold. The said supper was of its usual excellence. This was followed by dancing until 11 o'clock. Hodgson's orchestra furnishing music. Mrs. Daniel A. Peckham, as president of the Guild, was in general charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. H. Gilbert have closed their Newport residence and returned to New York. A large number of the summer houses will remain open for some weeks longer, and as usual some of them will be kept open all winter.







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Newport gave her first twelve men a good send-off. Now for the second detail.

The first week of September has been rather cool. However, we shall probably have some more hot weather before autumn really arrives.

The Canadian troops are now within 800 yards of the center of Lens and can take the city any time the order is given.

The French government has suggested that the American government send as soon as possible to France 60,000 industrial workers to form "an army of the rear."

It seems to be admitted that the so-called Burgess charter for Newport is dead, and it is doubtful if another serious attempt will be made to push it through. Respite in pace.

Out West, the I. W. W.'s have resorted to force to accomplish their selfish ends. A little revival of frontier methods of handling crime may prove as effective now as in the days of the forty-niners.

President Wilson's reply to the Pope has made profound impression in political circles in Germany and Erzberger, backed by majority of the Reichstag, will demand at next sitting of main committee legislation for immediate introduction of government responsible to Reichstag.

The authority given the new food department of government does not extend beyond the control of wheat up to its delivery at Chicago, chief assembling point for which new price of \$2.20 a bushel is to apply. The price of bread will thus largely depend upon cost of distributing wheat from Chicago.

We commence this week the publication of Mrs. Amy's diary, written in 1778, during the siege of Newport when the British held the town and the patriots were outside. Mrs. Amy was an intense Loyalist and her husband was in the patriot army. The diary is intensely interesting, showing as it does the condition of things in Newport during that trying period.

The government evidently intends to take drastic measures against the treasonable actions of the I. W. W. It has long been believed that German propagandists were responsible for much of the activities of this organization since the outbreak of the war, and if the Government is able to put a stop to them it will be promoting the cause of the United States in the war.

Massachusetts will soon be in the throes of its annual fall campaign, which even the great war will not wholly overshadow. As soon as the State campaign is completed, many cities will have to go through it again in order to organize their city governments. Rhode Island is fortunate in having election only once in two years, although some of the cities, like Newport, still stick to the annual election plan.

Next Monday will be Perry Day, the one hundred and fourth anniversary of the Victory on Lake Erie by Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry of Newport. There will be little observance of the day this year, although on some occasions in the past there have been notable celebrations. Four years ago, on the centennial of the battle, Newport had one of the finest observances ever seen in this section of the country.

Many of Newport's sons will have some interesting tales to relate when this war comes to a close and they return to their homes, free from the control of the censor. On another page we publish a portion of a letter from Lieutenant James P. Cozzens to former Alderman John J. Peckham, in which it is very clearly indicated that Mr. Cozzens has had some very thrilling experiences, although he writes in a very guarded fashion.

Lord Cecil says the allies could not improve upon President Wilson's reply to the Pope, and it is not certain any further reply will be needed. He claims there is nothing inconsistent between the President's note and the economic policy of the allies as declared at the Paris conference, latter being purely defensive, having in mind the necessity of restoring the economic life of the allies and protecting them against any aggressive and militarist commercial policy.

The New Haven road announces that it may have any extra cars for the many big fairs to be held this fall, owing to the fact that the road at any moment may be called upon to remove many troops, and the government wants take preference of private demands. This will not in any way affect the Kingston Fair somewhat. It is not expected that there will be any great movement of troops as early as next week.

## How the Money is Spent.

Our government is spending an enormous amount of money in this war, but on the other hand a gigantic task has been assumed. A large amount of money is necessary to maintain the Navy, which has been called upon to defend our coast and our commerce from attack.

To put the Navy on a war basis, every ship in reserve had to be fully manned and commissioned. Many auxiliary vessels also had to be added.

On April 6 there were 61,650 enlisted men; now there are more than 155,000. In addition, there have been enlisted more than 35,000 reserves and there are 10,000 National Naval Volunteers in service.

Contracts have been placed for every destroyer and submarine chaser that the shipyards of the country can build, and new records are expected in construction. All this is in addition to the 32,000 ton battleships; the five battle cruisers of 35,000 tons each, the largest and swiftest war vessels ever built; the six scout cruisers and many auxiliary craft for which contracts have been made.

Since the day war was declared the Navy has patrolled our own coasts. For coast defenses scores of vessels have been secured—yachts, fishing vessels, fast motor boats, and other minor craft.

The Navy has sent to France a corps of aviators, who arrived on June 8, the first contingent of the regular armed forces of the United States to land on French soil. The Aeronautic Corps has been greatly enlarged, aviation bases established along the coast, and officers and men trained in the operation of seaplanes, dirigible balloons, and other types of aircraft. An additional appropriation of \$15,000,000 has been asked for aviation.

About \$80,000,000 is involved in the entire building program in our navy yards, training stations, submarine and aviation bases.

The Marine Corps has more than doubled in enlisted strength since the war began. On April 6 there were in the corps 426 commissioned officers and 12,265 enlisted men. It now has more than 28,000 enlisted men, only 1,479 recruits being required to bring it up to its full authorized enlisted strength of 30,000. A force of marines has been landed in France for service under Gen. Pershing, and the entire corps is eager for action.

## An Appreciation of Oliver Hazard Perry.

Sept. 10, 1813.  
To Newport, who have had the honor of being so closely associated with Oliver Hazard Perry, hero of Lake Erie, whose memory is celebrated on Monday, it seems hard to realize that more than a hundred years have passed since the memorable battle of Lake Erie was fought.

History set down before us the bare facts; memory weaves festive garlands about them. Time has led us to think only of the brave hero's courage; we have forgotten the hardships he endured. While reading his simple, unassuming letter: "We have met the enemy and they are ours," we have forgotten that hidden motive that gave him courage to win the Battle of Lake Erie. By his modest outward aspect we have forgotten the penalty he paid to win this few words; the paying of which will and has placed him amongst the world's best and bravest men. We Newporters should be proud that we have formed a part, however small, in the life of this hero. We have shown our appreciation to him by the fine bronze statue erected in his memory, where Newporters are every day reminded of him, and the courage, bravery and patriotism which he symbolized.

Not many months will have passed before, once more "our boys" will be led to the fighting front, many never to return. But whatever their fate, let them bear in mind the brave example Oliver Hazard Perry set all Americans in his world-known despatch: "We have met the enemy and they are ours."  
BERNICE M. CALLAHAN.

## Last of the '49ers.

The annual meeting of the New England '49ers will be held in Boston, tomorrow, Sunday. This society now consists of one member, Mr. Wm. B. Wilber of Little Compton, who is now the president, secretary, general treasurer, and board of directors. When this society was organized in 1889 there were 157 members. Mr. Wilber is the sole survivor. Something over two hundred men went from New England to the gold diggings of California in 1849. Of this number 70 went from Newport on February 15 in the ship Audley Clarke, and some fifteen from Little Compton at a later date in that year. Mr. Wilber is believed to be the sole survivor of all that number. One of that illustrious number was the Hon. Nicholas Ball of Block Island who wrote a delightful history of that famous band of pioneers.

## Daniels vs Thompson.

It is not at all difficult to understand why Secretary of the Navy Daniels wants Col. Thompson to resign from the head of the Navy League. Thompson was an ardent advocate of a large navy during many years when Daniels was either silent on the subject or opposed to increasing the power of the United States on the sea. Now that Thompson has been vindicated, Daniels would like to have him obscured. Some such similar feeling may account for the unwillingness of the President to have either Col. Roosevelt or Gen. Wood assigned to any prominent place in the prosecution of this war. Both of those men were shouting for preparedness long before President Wilson declared with utmost deliberation that "we have not neglected preparedness." But the American people will not forget.

## PORTSMOUTH.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Mr. Herman F. Holman, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holman, was united in marriage with Miss Anna Cecil Burton, on Sunday evening at 5 o'clock in the Friends' parsonage by Rev. A. Edward Kelsey. Miss Burton's home was in Orange, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Holman have been spending their honeymoon with Mr. Holman's parents on Quaker Hill, but left on Wednesday for Orange, Mass. Mr. Holman was drafted for the second army draft and will leave soon for the army camp. The wedding was hastened by the groom's conscription.

Mr. Howard E. Bishop, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson A. Bishop of this town, and Miss Elizabeth H. Scabury, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Scabury of Tiverton, were married Saturday evening at the Holy Trinity Church, Tiverton, by the Rev. John A. Gardner. It was a quiet but pretty wedding, witnessed only by the parents of the bride and groom. The bride, who was given away by her father, was gowned becomingly in dark blue silk and carried an arm bouquet of white asters. This was the first wedding to be held in the church, which was opened on August 12, 1917. At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride. The church was decorated with white hydrangeas and asparagus fern. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop will make their home for the present with the groom's parents. Mr. Bishop is employed by the Hay State Street Railway Company in Newport.

A pretty wedding took place Saturday afternoon when Miss Amy F. Sherman, only daughter of Mrs. George S. Sherman, was married to Mr. George W. Hayden of Newport, at the home of her mother on Quaker Hill. Rev. A. Edward Kelsey, pastor of the Friends' Church, performed the ceremony, which was a double ring service. Only relatives and intimate friends numbering about fifty, were present. The bride wore white voile over white silk, and carried a bouquet of white roses. Little Benjamin Sherman, son of Col. and Mrs. Arthur A. Sherman, acted as flower bearer. The house was decorated with blue and white hydrangeas and golden rod. The Lutheran wedding march was played by Miss Marion Fullerton of Lynn, Mass. There were many beautiful gifts. At the conclusion of the ceremony cake and ice cream were served. Mr. and Mrs. Hayden left for a week's trip to New York and other places. Mr. Hayden is employed in the Government Coast Survey.

Rev. Everett P. Smith delivered two Labor Day sermons Sunday at St. Mary's Episcopal church in the morning, entitled "The Spiritual Aspect of Work," and in the Church of the Holy Cross in the afternoon upon "Work as a Liberator." There was also an infant baptism at St. Mary's, Eugene Coggeshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Shatts of Joliet, Ill., was baptized. Mrs. Shatts was formerly Miss Mildred Barker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Alton Barker of this town.

The Sunday Schools of both parishes will be resumed next Sunday. That of the Holy Cross has been entirely discontinued through the summer, but at St. Mary's there has been an informal voluntary attendance.

The funeral of John G. Barker was held at his late residence Monday afternoon with many relatives and friends in attendance. The service was conducted by Rev. Robert Downing, pastor of the Christian church, and Miss Carolyn D. Anthony sang. The bearers were George A. Brown, Lewis Manchester, John Spooner and Otto Ehrhardt. The floral tributes were beautiful. The interment was in the Union cemetery and beside the usual burial service the Odd Fellows, who attended in a body, also had their committal service.

Mr. Benjamin Archibald Chase, who has been for the past two months at Bridgewater, Mass., on account of ill health, has returned to his home in this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roche are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son. Mrs. Roche and family moved from Newport to the Peterson place near St. Mary's church this spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry G. Randall entertained a family party at a clambake on Tuesday. Beside Mr. and Mrs. Randall those present were Mr. and Mrs. David B. Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Perry G. Anthony and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Anthony and family of Newport, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Borden, Mr. W. H. Randall and Miss Josephine Rose. Mr. Borden made the bake, which was unusually fine.

Mrs. George Almy of Fall River has been guest of Miss Carolyn D. Anthony.

The public schools of this town resumed their sessions on Tuesday.

Miss Lillian Wheeler, who has been teaching school in Tiverton, has been engaged as teacher at Bristol Ferry School.

The Town Council met as a board of canvassers on Tuesday afternoon to make a preliminary canvass of the voting lists.

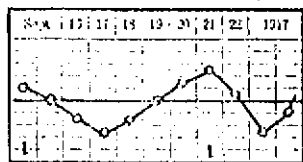
The matter of widening Dexter street was taken up and it was voted to widen the street fifteen feet on the southerly side. Perry G. Randall, John L. Borden and Alfred J. Mott were appointed a committee.

The Postal Telegraph Co. were given permission to trim such trees as interfere with its service, the work to be done under the supervision of the highway surveyors, and with the consent of the abutting owners.

## An Anomaly of Price-fixing.

One of the anomalies of price-fixing as applied to the bituminous coal trade is the discovery of one railroad official that the price named for the grade of coal which his road is using is more than forty per cent above what he is paying for it under an existing contract; while a coal operator in the Middle West finds that more than half the product of his mine is being sold at one-third less than the President says he shall receive. The fact is that the Federal Trade Commission could not possibly make an examination of coal costs which would adequately cover the field of production and distribution, and that the data upon which prices were determined was so incomplete that their application will result in as much of hardship as of benefit.

## WEATHER BULLETIN.



WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—Last bulletin gave forecasts of disturbance to cross continent Sept. 12 to 16, warm wave 11 to 15, cool wave 14 to 18. Killing frosts, in middle northern states and provinces, east of Rockies, will precede this storm; then it will turn the trend of temperatures upward and they will continue, fluctuating, upward till near Sept. 27. The rising temperatures will prevent heavy rains generally, but Canada will get more wet than needed for late harvests. Force of the storm will be greater than usual and their centers will probably not come southward. There are some indications that a hurricane will organize east of Porto Rico near Sept. 16 and come into sight of the U. S. Weather Bureau stations about four days later.

Next warm wave will reach Vancouver about Sept. 18 and temperatures will rise on all the Pacific slope. It will cross crest of Rockies by close of Sept. 19, plains sections 20, meridian 96, great lakes and Ohio valleys Sept. 21, eastern sections 22, reaching vicinity of Newfoundland about Sept. 23.

This will not be a great storm but of greater than usual intensity. Temperatures will average about normal and the trend will be upward, the previous storm averaging cooler than usual. The upward trend of temperatures will prevent heavy rains but the middle provinces of Canada and northern Pacific slope will get more than usual rain. Frosts are expected about Sept. 17.

October will bring dangerous storms, particularly during weeks centering on 1, 17, and 30, but crop weather will be good and pastures will save much feed. Too much rain in Canada will interfere with thrashing throughout September and October. The cotton plant will pass September 18 in better condition than near August 10, but frost will begin to take toll in October.

If clay soil, including blue clay, or hardpan, as the farmers call it, is plowed or dug deeply and a small amount of sand and vegetable mold, rotten wood, or barnyard manure, well mixed with it, the crop yield will be doubled. That is one method of intensified farming. Nothing goes out of the soil into vegetation through its roots. The only result of fertilization is to form an electro-magnetic conductor from the vegetable roots into the earth or put something into the soil that will evaporate or electrolyze, go up and enter the plant leaves or blades. The plant food is carried to the different parts of the plant by the electric current that goes down the stem and into the earth, and by the returning spiral magnetic force that finally passes out of the plant through the under part of its leaf. It will not work with a poor conductor at its roots. Dry clay is a bad and wet clay a better conductor, hence the necessity of rain. Vegetable mold and acid fertilizers are good conductors of electro-magnetism and increase the force of the electro-magnetic current, which is the motive power of vegetable and animal life, but the acid fertilizer kills the soil.

## Buying or Selling.

Those interested in buying or selling grain, cotton or seeds may learn how to use Foster's Cropweather Forecasts as an aid. Address Foster's Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C.

## WEEKLY ALMANAC, SEPTEMBER, 1917.

STANDARD TIME.											
Sun. rises	Sun. sets	Moon sets	Hg. in bar	Water							
8.58	5.47	6.08	30.12	45.1	12.1	12.1	12.1	12.1	12.1	12.1	12.1
9.58	5.18	6.08	30.11	44.1	11.1	11.1	11.1	11.1	11.1	11.1	11.1
10.58	5.00	6.08	30.10	43.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1
11.58	4.40	6.08	30.09	42.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1
12.58	4.21	6.08	30.08	41.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1
13.58	4.02	6.08	30.07	40.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
14.58	3.43	6.08	30.06	39.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1
15.58	3.24	6.08	30.05	38.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1
16.58	3.05	6.08	30.04	37.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1
17.58	2.46	6.08	30.03	36.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
18.58	2.27	6.08	30.02	35.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1
19.58	2.08	6.08	30.01	34.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
20.58	1.49	6.08	29.00	33.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
21.58	1.30	6.08	28.99	32.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
22.58	1.11	6.08	28.98	31.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
23.58	0.52	6.08	28.97	30.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

## Deaths.

In this city, Monday, Bernard Wesley, son of Bernard W. and Catherine Kay, aged 11 months, 5 days.  
In this city Sept. 6, James H. Smith.  
In Middleboro, 24 Inst., Peter J. Leonard.  
On Saturday, September 1, 1917, at Colorado Springs, Colorado, in the 48th year of his age, Edward de Vaux Merrill of Philadelphia.  
In Sandwich, Mass., 10 Inst., Mary Francis, wife of James W. Waldron, in her 51th year.  
In New Brighton, Staten Island, 24 Inst., General Ignace R. Fiere of Cranston, in his 84th year.  
In Providence, Sept. 5, Ella A., wife of William Barrett, and daughter of the late William M. and Tabitha Moore.

## HOUSES, SITES AND FARMS

Persons desiring to enter States, away from Newport and wishing to inform others for themselves or friends regarding tenements, houses, farms and other property, and farm or sites for building, can ascertain what they want by writing to:

A. O'D. TAYLOR,

REAL ESTATE AGENT.

122 Bellevue Avenue, NEWPORT, R. I.

Mr. Taylor's Agency was established in 1911. He is a Commissioner of Deeds for the principal States and a Notary Public. Has a Branch Office open all summer in Boston for Summer Villages and Country place.

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For Your Farm Property?

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# NEWS CONDENSED FOR BUSY READERS

## Happenings in Various Parts of New England

David Kelley, 36, fell from a barge into Gloucester, Mass., bay and was drowned.

Theresa Irwin, 8, was drowned at Cambridge, Mass., when she fell into the Charles River.

Five-year-old Albin Hinkel was killed at Boston when he tumbled down a fire escape at his home.

Nellie Kaufman, 1, died at Lynn, Mass., as a result of burns she received while playing with matches.

The skeleton of a woman was unearthed in the old Southard shipyard at Richmond, Me. There was no clue to her identity.

William Sellers, 85, an expert mechanic, died at Taunton, Mass., from injuries received by being struck by an automobile.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed at Boston by Mark Abrams, builder and contractor, who places his liabilities at \$208,333.

John Mahoney, 18, was seriously injured when the building of his Lynn, Mass., Storage Warehouse company collapsed.

Walter Holroyd, 40, died at Lawrence, Mass., as a result of a fractured skull, received when he fell from a "jitney" bus.

A \$1000 fire of mysterious origin destroyed a large barn and contents on the farm of Martin S. Connors, Lexington, Mass.

A head-on collision of trolley cars occurred at Hattis, Conn. No passengers were seriously injured, but several were cut by flying glass.

While on her way to work at Cambridge, Mass., Miss Hattie Melanols, 36, was killed when she was struck by an automobile.

Frank C. Wellington, 63, a Pullman conductor, fatally shot himself in a lavatory at the conductors' room in the North station, Boston.

Robert N. Hudspeeth, supervisor of music in the Concord, N. H., public schools, resigned to accept a position in the public schools of Honolulu.

More than 19,000,000 pounds of footstuffs were placed in Boston and Bay State cold storage warehouses during July, according to an official report.

Rosa E. Shattuck, 11, and Mrs. Elmer Bosley, 22, went bathing in the Ashuelot river near Keene, N. H., and their bodies were found an hour later.

Sergeant Harry E. Smith, 30, connected with the quartermaster's department of the regular army, was found dead in bed in a room in a Boston hotel.

Miss Agnes Dallman of Stafford Springs, Conn., was killed when the automobile in which she was riding fell down a forty-foot embankment at Danvers, Vt.

Samuel Livingston was formally charged with murder as a result of a shooting at Boston in which Charles Rub lost his life and Mrs. Charles Rub, his wife, was wounded.

Rev. Samuel Dupontis, a native of France, pastor of a Methodist church at Milford, Mass., is to leave for France, to engage in Y. M. C. A. work among the French soldiers.

Robert Warm, a private in the Eighteenth United States cavalry, was arrested at St. Albans, Vt., on an indictment charging him with murdering 14-year-old Jennie Hemmaway.

While on a duty call at Boston, Patrick O'Mara was stricken with illness and died on a Carney hospital wagon, of which he had been driver for more than a quarter of a century.

Four persons were injured and two automobiles wrecked on an overhead pass two miles from St. Johnsbury, Vt., the cars with their four occupants dropping thirty feet onto railroad tracks.

John C. Storow, 70, was formally charged with the murder at Biddeford, Me., of Miss Della Duquette, 35, whom he shot while she was packing up her clothes to leave his employ as housekeeper.

More than a score of persons were so seriously hurt as to require medical treatment and a panic ensued when a crowded elevated train crashed at high speed against the steel bumper at the end of its siding at Boston.

The "unwritten law" will be the defense offered for Pietro Ruggiero, 31, who shot and killed Sabatino Croce, 26, at Lowell, Mass., because he claimed Croce twice eloped with his daughter, mother of seven children.

Conductor Tryon and Motorcar Negus of the trolley which crashed into a car at North Branford, Conn., are found criminally responsible for the accident, which killed thirteen and injured many persons, by District Coroner Wynne.

Responsibility over her husband's death and loss of work is being placed on the cause of the death of Mrs. M. whose body was found with her right hand one had been to death.

## DAMAGE RATES

Damage rates differ widely. More prompt unloading can be obtained if rates are established upon a uniform and substantial basis. The question of a premium for extra prompt discharge might also well be considered.











## Historical and Genealogical.

## Notes and Queries.

In sending matter to this department the following rules must be strictly observed: 1. Names and dates must be clearly written. 2. The full name and address of the writer must be given. 3. Material must be interesting to the community. 4. Write on one side of the paper only. 5. In answering queries always give the date of the paper, the number of the query and the signature. 6. Letters addressed to the editor, or to be forwarded, must be sent in blank stamped envelopes, accompanied by the number of the query and its date. Direct all communications to:

MISS EDITH M. TILLEY,  
Newport, R. I.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1917.

## NOTES.

## MRS. ALMY'S JOURNAL.

SEIGE OF NEWPORT, R. I., AUGUST, 1778.

The following paper was written by Mrs. Mary (Gould) Almy, wife of Benjamin Almy, of Newport, who was at that time, with Sullivan's besieging army before Newport, while his wife and children were in the beleaguered city. She entertained ultra-Tory sentiments, as will abundantly appear in her narrative. She was a daughter of James and Mary (Rathbun) Gould, granddaughter of James and Catherine (Clark) Gould, and great-granddaughter of Governor Walter Clarke. Her sister, Patience was the wife of Augustus Johnston, who was prominent in the days of the Stamp Act, an adherent of government, and became a Tory refugee. Mrs. Almy, during and after the Revolution, was well known as the landlady of the prominent boarding-house in Newport, and General Washington was once her guest. A very elegant silk spread under which General Washington slept, is still preserved as a sacred relic. We believe, it was never used but on that occasion, certainly never since. It was made by Miss Anstiss Elmy, who married John Almy, and was the mother of Benjamin.

ENDORSEMENT BY MRS. E. TROWBRIDGE ELERY:

"My blessed mother, Mrs. Mary Almy's account of the cannonading of the French fleet, Count D'Eustache, on Newport, R. I., while in possession of the British army, July 28, 1778."

NEWPORT, September 24, 1778.

Once more, my dear Mr. Almy, I am permitted to write you. Great has been your disappointment, and great has been my sorrow, grievous to hear because it came from my friends, but I beg not to dispute at so great a distance. By your desire and my own inclination, I am to give you an account of what passes during the siege, but first let me tell you, it will be done with spirit, for my dislike to the nation that you call your friends, is the same as when you knew me, knowing there is no confidence to be placed in them, and I foresee that the whole will end, as this maneuver did, in taking this island, to the discredit of the Americans. You will not be surprised at my warmth when you will find how I suffered, nor wonder at my freedom when you find this comes real and wrote for your perusal alone. Now to be brief.

Wednesday, July 29.

At nine in the morning a signal was made for a fleet in sight; at ten o'clock was discovered the number to be eleven large ships, a fine breeze of wind and very fair. Each spoke as they wished, it must be Lord Howe. One half hour more threw us into the greatest consternation, the word ran through the streets—it's the French fleet. All was confusion in a moment, no time for preparation, a lively emblem of the poor soul that is called out of the world of a sudden, the great work he came to do was not begun. Our fortifications to keep off shipping were, to have been put in readiness this week. The merchant looks upon his full store as nothing worth. The shopkeeper with a distressed countenance looks and bars the shop, not knowing what is for the best. At eleven o'clock they all drop anchor off Brenton's Neck, as was supposed, there to wait until the people of your side of the water were ready to attack the lower part of the island. Heaven! with what spirit the army undertook the old batteries; with what amazing quickness did they throw up new ones; the night did not retard them, so earnest were they to give the Count a proper reception. With a distressed heart, I endeavor to comfort my poor children by saying, that they would not come in till morning, and then began to secure my papers and plate in the ground, which I effected by two o'clock, and then lay down to contrive what method to take next day.

Thursday, July 30.

Nothing remarkable happened during the day; the fleet all at anchor, an amazing preparation on all the hills, the pavements almost all torn up with the swiftness of the light-horse, momentary intelligence; every idle person that loved news, this was his day. As every ear was open to the marvellous, when night came my heart ached with the many falsehoods that my ear had paid attention to the day long; the fault of our sex in general, repent when it is too late.

Friday, July 31.

By daylight up and upon the house; a thick fog prevented our sight; all in terror till it clears off; about eight when we perceive the King Fisher, at Codding's Cove, and the two galleys to be on fire; then new agitations took fast hold of us; trembling, crying, hiding, to take true comfort of trouble that had no remedy. At ten o'clock the fog being quite gone, two large ships of the line were discovered up the Saconnet passage, which was the cause of our ships setting fire to themselves, and setting all the people ashore.

Saturday, August 1.

All the fleet in motion; everything in consternation; the inhabitants much distressed; the batteries all spirited; all warlike preparation; the streets filled with carts and ordnance stores; every busy soul harnessing, tackling and looting with combustible matter to supply every deficiency that their former negligence had made necessary, and by night they were so ready, that the footmen's part would wish for nothing more than a movement of the French fleet into the harbor. But lying down, earnestly praying they would never come so near.

Sunday, August 2.

The morning clear and clear; upon the house when the sun rose, and from the late, June, Orpheus, Cerberus, the three, all coming down the river. Then new perplexities arose, new fears stared us in the face, till we were in

formed that three large French ships of the line had gone up Conanicut passage, and as they were not strong enough to cope with them, took advantage of the dawn of day and a fine breeze to run from them, who, if they had been half their strength, would never have let them tell an American their boastful tale, of four British frigates running from their stations. At sight of eleven sail of the line, my heart bounded with fright, and then would recover with anger and disdain—a most excellent remedy for a woman; indeed, by turns, it was the saving of my life. The day passed on with stillness; every person conjectured the meaning of the ships going up the river was to cover the landing of the troops, which we could not have gathered.

Monday, August 3.

Early was the sound of joy proclaimed; a small boat came express from New York; as soon as she was seen every ship in the French fleet had the honor of giving her a salute. A bold, daring Briton had the command. He rather upon Sachuest beach; all lay flat about the bottom of the boat and never a man was hurt. All in high spirits. Lord Howe hourly expected a great force. All the frigates ordered to the old stations, to be made a sacrifice, I am afraid. The whole town in some great confusion, not knowing what they would be at, some moving their goods out to the lines, the officers all bringing their baggage into the town. Constant fatigue for men and horses and oxen, no rest by day or by night; still intrenching, weariness and painful watching, the portion of the thinking person. The tedious day gave way to the more tedious night. Every man ordered to be in readiness, the [American] troops were landing at Howland's Ferry. Oh! what a sound! When I look over the list of my friends on both sides of the question, my heart shudders at the thought, what numbers must be slain, both so obstinate, so determined. Well may we say, what havoc does ambition make. Cursed Frenchman, they would not have come, had it not been for you.

Tuesday, August 4.

In the morning all a perfect calm; the French ships before the harbor, the French ships up the river; all riding it out with colors flying. Insouciance never known before, for them to reign lords of the sea. What a shocking aggravation to hundreds in this garison, but everything awaits the coming of Lord Howe. An order is given out this day, from the agent, to have all the transports targeted in the harbor, after unloading them, with all preparations ready for sinking them the moment they discover the fleet in motion. The night coming on, the express was ordered by the Commodore, to take advantage of the night, and go to New York with despatches. Tired of myself, I have said in my wrath, if I live till morning, I will take a part of Church's horse in the Neck for my mother and children, to take off part of the heavy burden that is upon me.

(To be Continued.)

## QUERIES.

8978. SANFORD.—Who was the Peleg Sanford, who is said in Bull's Memoirs to have died in 1688? My date of Gov. Peleg's death is 1701.—N.S.

8979. BLISS.—Who was Barbara, wife of William Bliss of Middletown, R. I., whose first daughter, Elizabeth, was born June 25, 1780.—T.B.C.

8980. SAVERY.—Who were the ancestors of William Savery, who married at Newport, R. I., Elizabeth Ashbrook, May 1, 1748.—A.D.

8981. WEEDEN.—Who was Margaret Weeden who was the second wife of James Barker of Middletown, R. I.? She died in 1788.—F.L.

8982. STILES.—Would like date and place of birth of John, the son of above Samuel and Abigail Stiles. He is said to have married Lucy Johnson. Would like date.—S.P.M.

8983. CARPENTER.—Would like parentage of Elizabeth Carpenter, wife of Jabez, of Newport, R. I., whose daughter Mary married, Sept. 27, 1769, Andrew Correns, of Leonard and Margaret.—J.H.

8984. CROCOMB.—Who were the ancestors of Thomas Crocomb, who married at Newport, R. I., Feb. 6, 1729, Ann Stone. Who were her parents?—J.H.

8985.—RODMAN.—Who were the ancestors of Dr. Walter Rodman, of Salem, Mass., who married Rebecca Redwood, April 5, 1789. Did they have children?—A.R.

8986. LAWRENCE.—Would like ancestry of Daniel Lawrence, of Flushing, Long Island, who married Mary Redwood, sister of above Rebecca, 1716.—A.R.

8987. CHURCH.—Would be glad of any information concerning Zerviah Church, who married in 1774 George Solomon Hakes. She was of Stonington, Conn., or Westerly, R. I.—G.W.

8988. PENDLETON.—Who was Abigail Pendleton, who married Samuel Stiles, of Boxford, Mass., between 1714 and 1743. Would like marriage record.—S.P.M.

## Wise or Otherwise.

Des Moines Register—Maybe some of the slackers are converts of the "Safety First" campaign which swept over this country a couple of years ago.

Boston Herald-Plattsburg stands as an everlasting vindication of the foresight and intelligence of Gen. Wood—and no administration can strip him of that honor.

Minneapolis Tribune—The absence of a specific provision for full restitution to Belgium so far as money can accomplish that result is a fatal defect in the Pope's peace proposal.

Boston Evening Transcript—We expect to hear in a few days the official explanation that Gen. Wood was offered Fort Riley or the more important post of Squashville Center.

What Cheer (Iowa) Patriot—Why does not the President now call Root, Taft and Roosevelt into his cabinet for this emergency and let the war go ahead in a business and efficient manner?

The Seventh Patriotic Regiment, G. U. O. of O. P., of New England held its annual field day and demonstration in Newport on Labor Day, a number of the subordinate judges of the jurisdiction joining in the festivities. A street parade was held during the afternoon, the line being led by the Municipal Band, the principal members of the principal streets of the city. An entertainment and dance was held in the evening.

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Some sailors had a joy ride with the automobile belonging to the Navy Department for the use of the commanding officer of the Naval Training Station this week. The car was missed from the place where it had been left, and while Newport police officers were on their way to Providence to look for it, it was returned to the place from which it was taken.

## Newport County Fair and Horse Show

Sept. 18, 19, 20 and 21

Monday, August 3.

PREMIUM LISTS may be had at Boston Grocery, R. I., Bellows, Broadway, and Stone's, 100 South Main Street.

NOW IS THE TIME for Merchants to engage exhibition space.

BOYS' GOLF JUDGING COMITTEE Sept. 18, at 10:30 a. m. See Farm Bureau Agent for Entry blanks.

ALL EXHIBITS, except cattle, sheep and swine must be on the grounds not later than 10:30 a. m., Monday, the 17th.

## MORTGAGEE'S SALE

Will, the sold at Public Auction, in the Town of New Shoreham, Rhode Island, upon the premises hereinafter described, on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m., by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain mortgage deed dated December 31, A. D. 1909, and executed by Earl M. Mitchell and recorded in the Town Clerk's office of the town of New Shoreham, R. I., in records of Mortgages in book No. 4, at page 80, the conditions of said mortgage having been broken.—That certain tract of land with a house and other buildings standing thereon, containing about twenty-eight rods, be the same more or less, situated in the westerly part of the Town of New Shoreham, and bounded as follows, to wit: Westerly, Northrup and Eastern on land of Otis P. Mott, southerly on the highway commonly called Mormon Road, or however otherwise the same may be bounded and described, it being the same premises conveyed to Earl M. Mitchell by deed from E. A. Rose dated October 10, 1909 and recorded in Volume 1 page 119, land evidence records of New Shoreham, R. I. By order of the mortgagee—E. A. DODGE, who hereby gives notice of his intention to bid on the above described property at said sale at any post-mortgage or adjournment thereof.

WASHINGTON R. PRESCOTT, Attorney for Holder of said Mortgage.  
Providence, R. I., August 28th, 1917.

## R. I. NORMAL SCHOOL

Announces the opening of the next term on MONDAY, Sept. 10th, A. M. Entrance examinations Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 12 and 13, at 9:30 a. m.

All candidates must be graduates of approved high schools and must take entrance examinations.

Students preparing for the September examinations may apply to the Normal School for admission to the June examinations.

The school offers four courses of study as follows: 1. A general course of three years which prepares for teaching in the primary and grammar grades of the public schools. 2. A kindergarten-primary course of the same length. 3. A special course of one year for teachers of successful experience. 4. A course for college graduates.

For catalogues or further information, apply to the Principal, JOHN H. ALGER, R. I. Normal School, or to WALTER B. RANGER, Secretary, Trustees, 119 State House, Providence.

Probate Court of the City of Newport, September 1st, 1917.

Estate of Thomas Lyons.—AN INSTRUMENT in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Lyons, late of said Newport, deceased, is presented for probate, and the same, received and referred to the fourth day of September instant, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the Probate Court Room, in said Newport, for consideration, and it is ordered that notice thereof be published for four ten days, once a week in the Newport Mercury.

DUNCAN A. HAZARD, Clerk.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

New Shoreham, R. I., Sept. 1, 1917.

THE UNDERSIGNED hereby gives notice that she has been appointed by the Probate Court of the Town of New Shoreham, Administratrix of the estate of

ALVIN A. PECKHAM, late of said New Shoreham, deceased, and has given bond according to law.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same in the office of the clerk of said court within six months from the date of the first advertisement hereof.

EMMA PECKHAM, Administratrix.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

New Shoreham, R. I., Sept. 1, 1917.

THE UNDERSIGNED hereby gives notice that he has been appointed by the Probate Court of the Town of New Shoreham, Administrator of the estate of

OLIVE L. DODGE, late of said New Shoreham, deceased, and has given bond according to law.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same in the office of the clerk of said court within six months from the date of the first advertisement hereof.

WELCOME DODGE, Administrator.

"Meet me at Barney's."

Music's Charms

depend upon the excellence of the instrument. Take the piano for instance. The piano of worth and beauty is a source of joy to every home. Is there one in your home? If not, there should be, and you should buy it of us. You will, if you come in and see what we have to offer you.

BARNEY'S MUSIC STORE

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Newport County Farm Bureau opened an office on Meeting Street in the Exchange Bank Building, July 2.

Office hours 8 to 10:30 every day, 7:30 to 12 m. Saturdays.

MAKE US A VISIT TEL. 3476

"Let your Farm Bureau Help You."

## ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Owing to circumstances in the city and neighboring towns over which we had no control and could not foresee, three cases of diphtheria developed among three members of my family, and as a precaution and a safe-guard to the public, my stores and factory were closed, all utensils used in manufacturing confectionery, etc., thoroughly sterilized and fumigated. My establishment has been inspected by City, State and Federal Inspectors and passed upon as satisfactory in all ways.

My men are now working overtime to replace my entire stock, which was burned for safety sake, and my object now is, as it always has been, to give the public the purest and best goods obtainable anywhere at reasonable prices.

The large assortment of goods usually to be had will be on hand for your approval.

Thanking you for past courtesies, I am

## SIMON KOSCHNY

Manufacturing Confectioner

232 Thames Street Telephone 961

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A DUTCH KITCHENETTE

The fellow who gets a good thing and stops there soon finds himself a tail-einder.

There "have been" best kitchen cabinets—you know their names—but they stopped there.

The NAPONEE

Today leads them all. We can show you in two minutes where it outclasses the others you know about in every particular that makes for kitchen cabinet perfection.

50 Per Cent Better at the Same Price

A.C. TITUS CO. 225-229 Thames St., Newport R. I.

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NEWPORT BEACH

BEGINNING JULY 4

BAND CONCERTS DAILY

MORNING — AFTERNOON — EVENING

ROYAL ITALIAN GUARDS BAND

VINCENT LOZITO, Conductor

MARIE LAURENT, Lyric Soprano

Will sing in CONVENTION HALL with band Afternoon and Evening

DANCING MUSIC: NEWPORT BANJO BAND

EVERY AFTERNOON EVERY EVENING

Admission 10c. Admission, Gents 25c. Ladies 15c.

\$1.00 SHORE DINNERS \$1.00

SPECIAL SHORE DINNERS WITH LOBSTER, \$1.25

Served Daily 12 Noon to 8 Evening A la Carte Service

Rhode Island Chicken, Fish, Lobsters, Steaks, etc.

25c SPECIAL DINNERS DAILY 25c

AT LUNCH COUNTER, CONVENTION HALL

NEWPORT BEACH CLAM CHOWDER, SANDWICHES,

INDIVIDUAL POT BEANS, FRANKFURTERS, SALADS, PIES,

CAKES, FANCY CRACKERS, MILK, TEA, COFFEE, etc.

Best Quality Foods Cleanliness Moderate Prices

NEWPORT BEACH

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE.

Newport, August 17th, 1917.

THE UNDERSIGNED hereby gives notice that she has been appointed by the Probate Court of the City of Newport, Guardian of the person and estate of

JOSEPH T. DONOVAN and MARGERY DONOVAN

minors of said Newport and the above named persons, and she hereby gives notice that she will, on or before the 15th day of September, 1917, file in the office of the clerk of said court within six months from the date of the first advertisement hereof.

MARGARET A. DONOVAN.

Baby Seals Protected by Nature.

When seals are born they are snow white, which makes them invisible on the ice on which they are born. Their eyes and noses are, however, black, and when the little ones are suddenly placed in the water, their eyes, bury their noses and lie quite still. It is only when they grow and begin to seek their own food that they become dark and sleek.

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC

ROADS

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals for the construction of a section of State Highway No. 1, two miles in length, located upon the East Main Road, so called, in the town of Portsmouth, will be received by the State Board of Public Roads, at its office, State House, Providence, R. I., until 12 o'clock, on Wednesday, September 12, 1917, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

The principal quantities involved are as follows:

Earth excavated, 10,000 cu. yds.  
Gravel borrow, 3,500 cu. yds.  
Stone fill, 7,000 cu. yds.  
Crushed stone, 10,000 tons

Painting, heating and supply.

Ingenuity, 25,000 gal. oil.

State must be made upon blank form to be furnished by the Board.

No bids will be received unless accompanied by a certified check for the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) payable to the State of Rhode Island.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to give preference to town or cities in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 1 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island.

Plans may be examined and specifications and bidding blanks may be obtained at the office of the State Board of Public Roads, at its office, State House, Providence, R. I., on and after Tuesday, September 4, 1917, every day (except holidays and Saturdays), between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m., and on September 5, 1917, until 12 noon.

STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ROADS.

JOHN P. RICHMOND,

ABRAHAM E. RICHMOND, SON.

FRANK COLE,

MICHAEL VAN BEUREN.

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Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS.

NEWPORT, R. I., Sheriff's Office.

Newport, R. I., June 24th, A. D. 1917.

BY VIRTUE and in pursuance of an Execution Number 216, issued out of the District Court of the City of Newport, Rhode Island, within and for the County of Newport, on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1917, and returnable to the said Court August 24th, A. D. 1917, upon a judgment rendered by said Court on the 10th day of May, A. D. 1917, in favor of Anna Eliza Dyer of Attleboro in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, plaintiff, and against George F. Mullen and Lena B. Mullen, defendants, I have this day at 10 o'clock, upon the 13th day of February, A. D. 1917, at 10 o'clock, in the County of Newport, in the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, levied the said Execution on all the right, title and interest which the said defendants, George F. Mullen and